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Harvey C. Olin, Treas.

Board of Home Missions.

Dear Mr. Olin:--

Referring to Mr. ~~Banks~~ Adams inquiry in regard to our interest at Haines Alaska, we have a $1000. bond for mortgage covering grant remitted August 13,1903, on property described as follows:-

"All that lot not exceeding 3 Acres upon which is situated the church structure now building and to be used by the Presbyterian Mission of said village of Haines to which lot title is to be secured as soon as possible by Patent from U. S. Government."

We have also your Board's Bond for a mortgage of $200. covering the amount remitted August 11,1905, The description in this bond for mortgage reads as follows:-

"A piece of ground in the native village of Haines, bounded on the east by lot owned by Dathtunk, on the south by lot owned by Joe Whiskers, on the west by lot owned by William Jackson, on the north by lot owned by Sam. Dennis,
Beginning at a point from which U.S.I.M. No.3 (Mission Rock) bears S.2 deg.11 min. E.786.4 ft.
Thence N. 9 deg. 21 Min. E. 69.5 ft.
Thence S. 76 deg. 36 min. E. 64 ft.
Thence S. 9 deg. 21 min. W. 65 ft.
Thence N. 80 deg. 39 min. W. 65 ft., the point of beginning."

I find that the second appropriation was made on application dated November 9,1904, when it had been found favorable to separate the Indian congregation from the White congregation. The White congregation retained the first building which was valued at $2000.

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and for the Natives a house and lot valued at $400. to $450. was bought and toward this we contributed $200. A letter from you indicated that this property was acquired by deed (?) from "Kasko"

I enclose herewith copies of our surveys for insurance received in connection with each of those grants in case the diagrams on them may help you in placing the locality of each.

Yours sincerely,

Adam Campbell
Treasurer.

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THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
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OFFICE OF THE TREASURER
HARVEY C. OLIN, TREASURER

C. L. THOMPSON

March 11th, 1914.

Memorandum for Mr. Olin.

I am handing you herewith attached such information as I could gather concerning the grant of $200.00 made by the Board of Church Erection on account of the native church at Haines, Alaska.

Considering the emphasis laid upon the necessity for this church in the application, it seems queer that the building should have become in a few years simply a dance hall for the natives.

Mr. Allaben stated that a dance was in progress while he was at Haines, and that the building was frequently used for that purpose. I knew while at Haines that there was a Social Hall in the native village, as there is in most native villages, but I did not know that the Board of Home Missions and the Board of Church Erection had put any money in it. It is the only Social Hall among the native Alaskans, in which the Board has a financial interest, where dancing is allowed, so far as I know. All our other missionaries stand strongly against the dance.

I do not know who is responsible for the abandonment of this building as a native church, and the using of the one church for both white and native services, but assume it must be Mr. McLean, as he came on the field on November 1st, 1905, or about one year after the building was acquired.

For several years, I believe, the white people at Haines have strongly objected to the combined use of the church by natives and whites, and as a church had been provided for the exclusive use of the natives, it does not seem strange.

I reported that Mr. McLean was the most popular of our missionaries so far as the natives are concerned, and it may be possible that a license of this sort may in some way account for it. It will certainly make it very "rough sledding" for the missionary who succeeds Mr. McLean, if he endeavors to return the building to the use for which it was originally intended.

A/H

C O P Y

September 10th, 1904.

Rev. Erskine N. White, D.D.,

Secretary Board of Church Erection,

156 Fifth Avenue, City.

My dear Dr. White:-

The enclosed memorandum of the request of the Committee on Church Erection for Alaska Presbytery has our cordial endorsement. We trust the Board of Church Erection will see its way clear to make the small appropriation needed by the church at Haines.

And I am

Sincerely,yours,

(Signed) C. L. Thompson,

Secretary.

(Enclosure)

C O P Y

Skagway, Alaska.

Nov. 22nd, 1904.

E. N. White, D.D.,

156 Fifth Ave.,

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter bearing the welcome information that the Board had granted $200.00 for the Chilkat Church. For this we are very grateful. We are in need of the money as soon as we can make a representation of having met the conditions. Regarding this I am writing Mr. Olin of the Home Board who have some money invested in the building. I have also advanced some money personally to see the matter through and this has somewhat embarrassed me financially.

Trusting you are well and being prospered in the work,

I am

Yours as ever,

(Signed) N. B. Harrison.

We, the members of the Committee on Church Erection for Alaska Presbytery, hereby make the following representation of the situation at Haines:-

When the grant of $1000. was made over a year ago, it was for a building whose use was shared by the native and white congregations. At that time the white population was small and there was but one service held for them. Now it has increased till three services are held each week, purely for whites, and this winter there will probably be a demand for another. Under these circumstances the Board of Home Missions finds it necessary to make the two distinct, and to provide separate buildings.

The recently erected church, by reason of its situation on the main street of the white town, and the fact that the white congregation have invested over $500 in the building while the natives in money and labor have an interest of about $70, should naturally fall to the white congregation.

Therefore it is proposed that the white congregation be asked and allowed to purchase the interest the natives have in the building.

That the Board of Church Erection be asked to transfer the grant which was asked for in the name of the Chilcat Church to the white congregation so soon as they shall organize into a church; and that a grant of $200 be made the Chilcat Church, which with the money received from their interest in the present church and their own gifts, will enable them to finish paying for a building which they have already purchased at a cost of $300 and to make suitable alterations and improvements, turning it into a church adopted to their needs.

The building is 20 x 40, situated on a piece of ground 65 ft. square. It was valued at $400 but the native owner was willing to sell it to the church at $300 and gave a deed upon payment of half that sum virtually making a gift of $100. $180. have now been paid toward it. The remainder is due about Oct. 1st. Therefore, in consideration of the above facts, the Committee earnestly ask that a grant be made the native church, through the Board of Home Missions, of the sum of $200, that the work among both whites and natives may not be retarded at this place.

Haines, Alaska,

Aug. 9th, 1904.

N. B. Harrison, Chairman
A. R. Mackintosh
W. S. Bamberman
Comm. on Church Erection, Alaska Presbytery.

I enclose the action of the Committee. It seems necessary for the good of all concerned to separate the two congregations. I trust the Board Ch. Erection will make the grant.

Sitka, Ala. Aug. 11th, 1904. Geo. F. McAfee.

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May 16, 1914.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. OLIN.

From letter of the Rev. E. L. Winterberger, to Dr. Thompson.
Dated Haines, Alaska. April 29, 1914.
Received May 11, 1914.

"The manse looks very well once you are inside, but it seems a pity that some kind of a cellar was left out of the improvements when new sills were put in, and from a cursory examination it looks to me as though the plumbing was so disarranged in the remodelling as to cause the waste water from the sink to flow under the house. I will examine this more carefully within a day or two and let you know exactly.

"Both church and manse are much in need of exterior painting. The interior of the church I shall undertake next fall.....

"I understand from Mr. McLean that the farm was rented Oct. 1st, 1913 to Sept. 31, 1914 to Mr. Hopkins who has had it for the past five years at an annual rental of $125. I have the indenture in my possession. Also a lease from the B. M. Bensends Merchantile Co. for five years beginning April 1910, rental for which has never been paid. I was also informed by Dr. Condit that piling had been sold to the Alaska steamship company, per Mr. King their agent here, but Mr. McLean has not mentioned that fact nor have I asked him about it. You will please inform me as to my duty in the future if such sale is desired and the terms thereof."

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Dr. Thompson in his letter to Mr. Winterberger of May 16, says that Mr. Olin will write him regarding the matters referred to above.

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HAINES MISSION
(PRESBYTERIAN)
HAINES, ALASKA

REV. E. L. WINTERBERGER
MINISTER

REFER J. O.
" J. E. M.
" H. C. O.
C. L. THOMPSON.

May, 18 th'14

Rev. S. Hall Young D.D.
156 Fifth Ave.
N.Y.

My Dear Dr Young:- I did not wish to inflict upon you more of my poor penmanship, and therefore waited until my machine arrived to answer your very welcome letter.

Let me follow your letter in my reply, and that will include most of the things I wish to write you.

We have been cordially received here by both whites and natives. The attendance of the natives at church and sunday school seems to compare favorably with their attendance at the same period in otheryears. This is the time of year when many of them are away. In the white congregation we are much encouraged, in fact more so than we had hoped we would be. Many of them seem pleased at having a service for whites and the outlook is good. Our attendance at the S.S. has been for whites, 22,19, 33. and for the church service, 18, 15, 75. The last figure is due to a special Mother's Day service, and the presence of the Chorus from the Fort. They came over and gave us a couple of numbers and all appreciated it very much. As to the situation, you probably know by this time that McLean has gone into the Moving picture business, that would not be so bad even here were it not for the fact that he is running the show on Sunday nights. Think of a man being in the ministry for eight years in a place like this and at the close of his ministry going into the moving Picture business and the night following the last sermon he, the Minister, running the show while his successor is holding a Gospel Service for whites almost across the street! That is what we are up against. It would not be any concern with me if the whites were alone to be considered. They evidently, as one expressed it, are not surprised for it seems seems to fit in with what had gone on before, but the natives. It will make our work among them harder than it otherwise would be.

I have thought much of the matter, and went over the possibility of making overtures to him to close up on Sunday nights and if he would not enter thefield in competition and drive him out of town , or at least out of the business, which could be done without so much of an outlay in expense We have a dynamo here and engine which I think could generate enough electricity for the machine for a direct current, and if we ran on the same nights that he did, and cut the prices in two, he would beforced to the wall for he expects to make a livingeby it and has to pay rent etc. All we would have to buy on that basis would be some wiring, the machine for about $225. and the rental of the slides. We would not of course run on Sunday. But that is merely a thought which came to me as a possible way of teaching the man a much needed lesson. It may be that giving him a plenty of rope will have the same effect. It is bad from the native point of view but it may be that if we can start other things in the fall, all will go on well and nothing in particular will be lost.

I have in mind the starting of an industrial Dept. teaching them how to do some Manual training work, and the mending of shoes, etc. I believe these things would appeal to them, and after talking with Falconer, I am convinced that it would be a good thing. I thought of putting the shop in the basement of the church where we would merely have to excavate and Board up the room to make it all right. If you could get me a set ~~or say~~ of Manual training tools with two benches, and a set of shoe mending tools

II. and some money for the buying of the lumber for putting up the room I would see that the work was done and the class started. I know something about thosevthings myself, and the Handy-man at the Hospital is a full-fledged carpenter, so that I could work him in some, and with the two of us I believe I could make the thing well worth while.

Mrs Winterberger, will have some english classes for the natives and teach them some of the useful things that are helpful and necssary to their betterment.

As to the farm, I would say that the place is let until Sept. It was leased by McLean for the year from Sept. to Sept and he is not to blame for our being unable to get hold of it sooner. I believe Governor Strong is right, and that it can be made to support the Mission in the course of a few years, say five, maybe less. I am perfectly willing to take the thing in charge if the Board is willing to support me with a reasonable outlay for the first two years. There has been a poor policy in the farm in the past and it makes it harder now, If the farm had been leased on the condition the Lessee should clear one half acre and break it in each year, we would now have eight or ten acres additional to what is now cleared. The very fact that thevLessee can sublet the land on shares and pay his rental and make something out of one half of the proceeds does not look as though he was losing money on the deal.

I have formulated a tentative plan something like this, Buy one good big horse. He could do a good deal of the plowing, and all of the cultivating and all the road work. If we could get a span of mules from the Fort (They sell thosevwhich have slight blemishes, but are perfectly good for all the work we would have for them) buy a span of the mules. Hire what additional help in the way of team work as it is needed. One light lumber wagon, A disk harrow and a harrow, (I think we have cultivators in the barn) And a good plow. That would almost constitute the machinery needed.

We should havevtwo cows, they would supply the Hospital and the manse with the needed milk. Their calves raised during the summer would supply some of the meat for the hospital and Manse if killed about December, and th meat could be kept in thsi country as long as needed. I think two young pigs should be purchased in the spring and let run, for fall or winter butchering and a couple of lambs. In this way wewould not be incurring much expense nor much trouble and the return would be well worth the experiment. The lambs I would turn loose in the brush lot, and they would help in keeping down the grass and young brush and let the sun get at the moss. If the Government experiment of the Angora goats at Klukwan proves a success we couldeasily introduce them here.

My idea is that we should hire one man from April to Sept. As he needs help I sould assist a little and if more is needed than I can do, hire that. We could manage the chores during the winter months, for there would not be so many the first year, after that if the plan works we could get more cows and have the man kept the year round and used in winter for cutting bru sh and cutting wood.

I should like to begin this fall by having the brush on about ten acres between here andthe Fort cut and if possible put in some tile to drain some of that land. In the spring the high ground running along the shore between us and the Fort could be broken up and sowed to oats or something elsevfor the first. This would begin to add to the beauty of the place as well as to the utility of the farm. I believe we can use the natives for much of this work and thereby help them in their times of leisure. If we had the horse we might also encourage them to cultivate some land by agreeing to plow it for them if they would do work in clearing or in the cutting of wood.

I fear our timber, what has been left of it, has not been conserved with very much thought, and to this I will give some of my timeand thought

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permitting the cutting of only such trees as are of little use for lumber and other useful purposes. I have written the experiment station and hope to keep in close touch with the head Mr Georgeson. I am working a large garden and in that way will have some definite ideas by the fall. I should like to experiment with a hive of bees, as they say there are numerous flowers in this section, but will let that go this year.

If things go well, we have the oppurtunity here of making this the model farm in this part of Alaska, it would be a matter of no small credit if something in that way could be done at this point. The Mission has undergone a rather hard trial, but it will be possible, in my judgement, to bring it up to the place it should occupy in this community and section of Alaska.

Before undertaking all this however I should have some definite understanding with the Board as to how the matter appeals to it, and just what it would do in the way of supporting me in these plans. I am quite confident that such expenditures as I have suggested, aside from the work this fall could be returned to the treasury in the course of six months, when the crops are sold. It might be well to have two or three good citizens of the town audit the account of myself every month and O.K. any expenditures I may make when making a draft on the Board at the Bank. This would avoid any possible mistakes and wrong ~~and~~ foolish application of funds. Possibly the General Missionary could act in that capacity.

I say this to you in order that you may know what I am thinking about in regard to the one side of the work here. Mails are so infrequent that we will have to consider the matter in this way and thus early , if we are to have definite plans formed when I take over the farm for the mission in the fall. I would not consent to run it on the lines it has been run, and I do not believe the Board or yourself want me to do that.

As concerns the buildings I may say that things looked bad when I came, the Manse had heaps of dirt piled all about it where it had been left from the work done under the house last fall. I finsihed this up myself leveled up the ground and sowed some grass seed. I think the Board should allow me to let the contract for the painting of the Manse for it is in bad shape in that particular. The Church is also in like condition, but I can get that paintied by the cooperation of the whites in the town. They tell me that nothing has been done to the interior since the church was built. That will also be gone over during the summer, if I have to do it and pay for it myself. People ought not to worship God in unsightly houses when they can be put and kept in good repair.

This regiment of Soldiers will leave the Fort in the course of the next Month, two companies will come to take their places. This will not be headquarters hereafter, so that no Chaplain will be here, and it looks as tho we had come to the place at the right time. It will therefore devolve upon me to act as Chaplain for the men. I shall do that work to the best of my ability. The outlook for plenty of work is exceedingly bright. We have an "at Home" for the Whites of the village and Fort Thursday night of this week. I will write my impressions of the Boat in the next.

I trust I have not over-wearied you in this long letter. I have done what you suggested, poured out my heart, but have not been as brief as I might have been.

Mrs Winterberger and the Boy sends Best regards.

Yours for increased usefullness.

E. L. Winterberger

Douglas 5/23/14

Rev. Hoch Comdit.
Juneau
Alaska

Dear Sir;

I enclose herewith a bill for services rendered; to the "Haines Mission Hospital," during the month of June 1913. I attended a native in the Hospital during the month of June at the request of Rev. A.F. McLean. The Board of Home Missions asked me last Summer to take the matter up with Mr McLean which I did I spoke to him about it in Haines and later last November wrote him from Juneau, but received no answer to my letter.

I now refer the matter to you and wish you would kindly

take the same up with the Board of Home Missions, and have them do something

I have obligations to not or would not trouble you with this.

I am Sir

Yours Truly

A. J. Palmer M.D.

Douglas 5/23/14

The Haines Mission Hospital Dr.

To

A. J. Palmer M.D.

for Services rendered $180 00

A. J. Palmer M.D.

Excerpts from letter of Dr. Harold M. Craig 5/23/14.

My plans for the use of the Erd are as follows:

No one is to take the boat without my permission, except in case of emergency. This is one hard and fast rule which must never be broken. Olie, our engineer, is to be instructed how to run the engines, and the boat is to never leave her moorings without him except with my permission.

I will arrange to take Mr. Winterburger to the cannery each Sunday and once during the week. If he wishes it oftener than this he may have it, if possible, by simply speaking to me a day or so in advance if possible. I am going to strive to make the boat as useful to him as possible.

Sometime ago I told Mr. Winterburger that you had placed me in charge of the boat, but nevertheless, I am of the opinion that he thinks that he should learn to run the boat and do what he pleases with it. If he knew anything about boats or engines or these waters I would not object to letting him take her out as often as he wished, but as he does not know these things I am not willing to be responsible for the boat when in his command. I have been here long enough to have the greatest respect for these waters and to fear them. I do not feel competent myself to take the boat out, without an engineer, and while I have charge of it I will not feel like having Mr. Winterburger do so either. He asked me to teach him how to run the engines. I am still undecided as whether it is best to teach him or not. If he does not know how to run the engines he will not ask to take the boat out alone, should our engineer be unable to go.

I foresee the possibility of the Erd being a place where friction may occur unless we have a full and complete understanding with Mr. Winterburger. We have had no friction yet and I want to

avoid it. Therefore, may I suggest that, if these plans meet with your approval, you write to Mr. Winterburger and tell him about these plans. I will be glad to have suggestions and criticisms from you. One thing is certain and that is that we want the minister to feel that we are giving him a square deal.

We will use the boat for short pleasure trips from time to time, and I hope to give our nurses and workers many good times during the short summer. I will see to it that the minister has his share of the use of the boat for his pleasure. Of course, the Mission will not be expected to meet any of the expenses incurred when we run the boat for our own pleasure. It seems to me perfectly just that we should use the boat for occasional pleasure trips, but I wish to know exactly what you opinion is in regard to all these matters.

The Erd, it seems, has always been in the "storm center" so, if possible, let us steer clear of them. Of one thing I am sure, and I wish to forewarn you now, and that is that whoever has charge of the Erd will always be subject to much criticism from the towns people.

My impressions of the new man, Mr. Winterburger, are favorable. I think that he will be just the man to handle Old Man Macintosh. You should be here to see the way the Harding family cater to the minister. You know they were McLean's bitterest enemies. They always come to church and sit in the front row and one son passes the collection plate. After saying so much about Mr. McLean they have to come to hear this man to save their reputation. I am treating Mrs. Harding now, and as soon as I possibly can I am going to tell her that the only thing that will make her better is a change of climate.

Mr. Winterburger has held white service for the past two Sunday nights. Last Sunday he had the Ft. Seward Choir to help him. The collection amounted to $7.71.

May 30,1914

Dr.A.J.Palmer,

Douglas,

Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 23d inst. relative to claim for services rendered in connection with Haines Hospital last year and with bill for One Hundred Dollars enclosed.

As I suggested to you when we met in Mr Beattie's office I have referred the communication to our Board in N.Y.,156 5th Avenue, for their consideration and action.

In case it should be necessary for you to communicate farther regarding the matter address Mr.H.C.Olin,Treasurer, at above address,as I shall be absent during the summer.

Very Truly Yours,

HAINES MISSION
(PRESBYTERIAN)
HAINES, ALASKA

REV. E. L. WINTERBERGER
MINISTER

June, 4 th. '14

Harvey D. Olin
156 Fifth Ave.
N.Y.

My Dear Mr Olin:- I have not heard from you concerning my proposition about the farm, but trust that it will appear to you somewhat as it does to me

In connection with the purchase of a horse, I wish to present for your consideration this matter. As you know horses are high in this section, it was for that reason I suggested the purchase of but one. Here at the Post (Fort Wm H. Seward) they have about 60 mules, and every year or so they sell off, at public auction, those which have any defect however slight. Most of these mules are capable of doing all the work necessary on a small farm. This year, I was told, three mules and a horse are to be sold. I inquired as to their condition and found that two of the mules are good but with slight defects which could be remedied and even if not remedied would in no wise hinder them from doing good work. They will be sold ten days after the order comes from the division commander confirming the condemnation order. I was thinking of the advisibility of trying to get them provided it met with your approval. They should be purchased for not more than $25. each. Last year a man in town bought a pair for $37. used them all winter and sold them at a big profit. I believe it would be a good thing to secure them if they could be bought for that money. We could use them enough during the rest of the summer fall and winter to more than pay for their keep.

I expect to do some clearing during the summer and fall, and will get out some fence posts, and wood and for all this they would be very necessary The additional necessary expense would be a harness, and wagon. I might be able to pick them up second hand here in the town. But they may have to be bought new.

The purchase of one horse in the states andshipped to Haines will probably cost $150. or $200. If these can be bought at this time they would do the work on the farm for years. Mules are better keepers, eat less and are easier to care for than horses.

I present this matter for your consideration solely with the thought of economy, I trust it will commend itself to your good judgement and that I may hear from you very soon. It is probable that the sale will take place within the next three weeks.

I have some reason to believe that you will hear of good things being done at the Mission farm during the next two or three years. I do not expect to permit the cutting of any standing timber for this year, with a view to compelling the cleaning up of that which is usuable and which has been discarded as too small. The timber has been ruthlessly and wastefully cut.

Hoping to hear from you in this matter in the very near future, I am,

Sincerely.

E. L. Winterberger

Excerpt from letter of Dr. H. M. Craig, Haines, Alaska, to Mr. Allaben, 6/26/14.

"Enclosed please find a map of the grounds. As you will observe, I am not an expert at this map making. I hope that it will help you to get a somewhat clearer vision of the present conditions. Before deciding about the boundaries of this plot, I went to Mr. Winterberger and asked him what his plans were for the use of this land. I did this so that I would not ask for any land that he had planned to use for other purposes. He seemed to have use for all the land, but I tried to outline the plot of hospital land so that it will not interfere with his plans for a barn yard.

If the hospital is to have some of the land it seems to me that it should surround the hospital, and that it should be all in one piece. Mr. Winterberger seemed to want me to take a piece of land that would be in such a shape that the boundaries of our land would be very irregular. He also wished me to take most of the land between the hospital and manse, as he said he did not wish to mow so much lawn himself. We had a friendly talk about the land but I think that we both have different opinions. However, I think that you will agree with me, that I have asked for a very reasonable amount of land and that the boundaries are as they should be."

July 23rd, 1914.

Rev. E. L. Winterberger,

Haines, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Winterberger:-

Recalling your request, and our promise in the last letter, that we would send you an up-to-date survey of our holdings in Haines, I beg now to hand you a copy of the last survey, which I think will give you the information that you desire to hand in hand, and will enable you to protect our "frontiers" by ordering off squatters and timber thieves, and generally to keep an eye on the situation.

Another matter I desire to call your attention to is the so-called "Social Hall" in Haines, and in order that you may understand it, I am giving you herewith some papers relative thereto, namely, a copy of the application of the Church Erection Committee of your Presbytery in 1904, and a memorandum from our special representative, Mr. W. B. Adams, of this office, following his visit there in the Spring of last year. These two documents will give you the situation as to this Social Hall, and I would suggest that if it can be diplomatically done, you consult with Mr. McLean as to the situation surrounding this Social Hall, and report your findings to this office before anything is done.

I am also giving you some extracts from a letter from Mr. McLean dated March 14th last, with regard to the leases of certain portions of ground upon our reservation, and in this connection, let me say that some months ago Judge Gunnison, our attorney at Juneau, and Dr. Condit were requested to go over the whole situation as to the squatters upon Board lands. You have it in mind to investigate the situation very carefully, but meantime, I would suggest that you get into touch with Judge Gunnison, whose address is the Hon. Royal A. Gunnison, Juneau, Alaska, and see whether he and Mr. Condit have taken any steps whatever. They have not reported to this office definitely. Our deed to the premises upon which this Social Hall stands, is dated the 26th of May, 1905, and is from a Native called Kasko. The description is as follows:

"A piece of ground in the native village of Haines, bounded on the east by lot owned by Dathtunk, on the south by lot owned by Joe Whiskers, on the west by lot owned by William Jackson, on the north by lot owned by Sam. Dennis, Beginning at a point from which U.S.I.M.No.3 (Mission Rock) bears S.2 deg.11 min. E.786.4 ft. Thence N.9 deg. 21 min. E. 69.5 ft. Thence S. 76 deg. 36 min. E. 64 ft. Thence S. 9 deg. 21 min. W. 65 ft. Thence N. 80 deg. 39 min. W. 65 ft., the point of beginning."

Yours very truly,

(Enclosure) Treasurer.

HAINES MISSION
(PRESBYTERIAN)
HAINES, ALASKA

REV. E. L. WINTERBERGER
MINISTER

July, 23, '14

Mr Harvey C. Olin
156 Fifth Ave.
New York, N.Y.

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Dear Mr Olin:- I have three letters from you which I will answer in the order written.

Thank you for recommending to the Board the appropriation of the money for the painting of the Manse. It is now being done and makes a great improvement. I believe I sent a signed statement of the painter covering the cost.

I note in your letter of July 6 th. that the check for this and I suppose for my monthly pay had been sent. I regret to say I have not at this date received either. I must be a Jonah so far as the checks are concerned as this is the second delay in the short time I have been here. It has put me to some inconvenience but I hope it will be here on the next boat.

In regard to the boat, I mentioned your letter to Dr Craig and he simply stated that he had written you with a view to the larger usefullness of the boat. All the use the Mission has for the boat is to go to the Cannery on Sundays, and rarely during the week. There might be an occasional use for running out into the bay with friends, but I do not feel free to do that for the simple reason that Dr Craig or the hired man at the Hospital must go in order to care for the boat as he is responsible to the Women's Board for it It however is no deprivation and I am sorry that any correspondence has been had about the matter, I simply did not understand and now that I do will say no more about it.

The mules were sold before your letter came and at such an advanced price that I was not tempted to bid. No I have no need for horses or mules in the cultivation of the Manse garden. That I do by hand. It is looking vastly better than I had anticipated and better than the local prognosticators predicted it could.

I am sending you some pictures which may give you an idea of what I want to do better than a mere mention of it would . On the back of the pictures are notes giving description.

Picture II The present tenant would have no objection to my starting to clear this land. If done this fall and plowed, an additional spring plowing would put it in good condition for planting. Only the ridge could be planted next year as surface and tile draining will be necessary in parts of the low ground west of the ridge. This tile drain through the ridge would cost about $ 90 to put in. The cutting of the brush and burning will cost in the neighborhood of $150. I can give a definite figure so soon as I cut through a strip and figure it up. The plowing of the ridge I do not know what it would cost. but it would not be so very much more than ordinary "breaking" work.

This work would add very greatly to the appearance of the Mission ground and in the course of three or four years would more than pay for the improvements. I plan to use Indians in this work as well as that of the farm work next year, if I can get the man.

If the Board will give me permission I will begin this work so soon as I hear from you. That is all the expense I would incur until spring.

I bought a roll of wire to protect the Manse garden from the dogs. The roll contained 20 rods and cost $8.00 . It will be in the nature of a permanent improvement, and if the Board desires to pay for the wire, well, if not I will bear the expense as it is worth that much to have the work in the garden unmolested by dogs. I enclose receipt showing payment.

As to what I deem necessary in the spring the following will give a fair estimate.

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One team of horses, at least one of which should be a brood mare better to have both such, age about 15.-------- $ [illegible]
Two cows (purchased by the Women's Board for Hospital--$150.00
One general purpose steel truck wagon------- 45.00
One disk harrow--------- 20.00
One 60 tooth two section harrow---- 14.00
One general purpose plow------- 13.00
One Double heavy Harness----- 65.00
Three small pigs------ 15.00
One hundred rods of pasture fencing with some brushing-(Estimate) 15.00
Seed------- (Estimate) 35.00

250.00 [illegible]

The two cows mentioned could be provided with pasturage and such feed as the farm produced, but feed purchased should be charged to the Hospital. The care of the cows such as milking and driving to pasture should be taken by the Hospital for the first year at least. The Handy man could do that.

With the Board's permission I would purchase my own cow and care for her I do this so as to feel free to use for my family her milk without feeling that I am depriving the patients at the hospital of anything which is provided for them.

The cost of cows and horses is, of course, estimated, they might be purchased much lower, especially if one could be on the Coast at the time of some Auction sale in a farming section. The other articles are prices taken from catalogues but freight is not included. These could also be purchased at auction at reduced prices. The pigs could be procured here.

I believe one man at about $60. a month could do practically all the work. He would be employed from April First until Sept 15 th.

Some quite necessary tools I have not included thinking that an exchange could be made here for a year or two at least.

We have on the farm a hand seeder and cultivator, a horse cultivator and potato plow and a small plow. The Barn has an impossible silo which may be used after some change is made in it.

I forgot to mention an item for plowing some sod this fall this would cost about $35. It would be for spring planting. This would be done in Sept.

I have charge of the building formerly leased to the S.M.Lehrends Merchantile Co I am renting one room temporarily to a club for a dollar a month I have not as yet received any rental. I expect to use the other rooms for Manual training work in the fall.

Would you please give me an account of the interests the Mission Board has in the "Social Hall" in the native village? They have had dances running into the wee hours of Sunday morning, and they also hold potlatches there. If we are in control, I would like to know just how, before I suggest any restrictions.

With best regards , I am,
Sincerely.

E. L. Winterberger

P.S. I am including voucher for July.

E.L.W.

I think you will find that I can recently written him as to this -

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REV. E. L. WINTERBERGER
MINISTER

August 5 '14.

Harvey C. Olin
New York N.Y.

My Dear Mr Olin:-Your letter, with enclosures , is before me. I note the information, concerning "Social Hall" is there. You will find an inquiry for this very thing in my last letter. I will find out about the present status of the "Hall" and write you concerning it.

In re leases, I have in my possession three leases, one to the B.M. Behrends Merchantile Co. concerning which you have all the information. One to Jim King an Indian, which I enclose to you for your inspection and on which I wish to comment. The other to S. Hopkins for the farm. I do not know what McLean meant when he wrote about"a tenant at will" this lease was drawn the first day of last Sept. and expires the thirty first of this month and is for $125.00 per annum. It seems to exclude quite a bit of the land which is under cultivation by Mr Hopkins'partner Mr McRae.

Concerning the Jim King Lease and all to be made after this I would suggest the following; that the Board have a regular form of lease printed, same drawn a little more concisely than this one , if that can be done and all the legal quibbles met, and that hereafter these be issued in Triplicate. The Indian have one, the Board one and the Agent one. Having such copies in blank, any Indian applying for ground could be given one to look over noting requirements etc. and if he signed up he would know just what to expect and what we would expect.

Second,that clauses to the following import be included, (1) In every dwelling house erected on Mission ground, at least one window for each room be the minimum. This to contain at least nine(9) square feet.
(2) The number of persons dwelling in any house be limited to a minimum of two per room. (3) At least one window in the house shall be open day and night a minimum of two(2) inches.
(4) The tenant shall erect an enclosed outhouse for toilet purposes. This shal be built over a vault not less than two feet deep.
(5) Tenants living elswhere for a longer period than one year shall sell or rent building to another. (6) Buildings tenantless for two years will be subject to removal,or become Mission property.

The reason for these added clauses may not appear on the face of them ,but they grow out of a very little observation of the situation. For instance one building on the Mission grounds gives shelter in winter to a family of seven(7) and has two small windows one window near the gable this is about two feet square. One of the evils of segregation is the community house. The two persons to each room will help to prevent more of it.

Almost every family here is afflicted with Tuberculosis in one or more members, they shut and batten the windows in winter to keep out all pure air. Boxes with holes cut in them serve for toilets. They should at least be enclosed. There are not more than two or three toilets in the whole Indian village. I am moving to contruct two concrete vaults, with underground flush pipes in that part, of the town. I hope I may succeed.

If tenants go away and stay for years their lots become nuisances for the brush and weeds which grow. These reasons I trust will explain in part why I think these clauses should be included.

I am planning to use the middle and rear rooms of the building at the corner of our grounds for a Manual Training centre during the winter months.

The Democratic Club of Haines, under the Auspices of the Reading Room of Haines is now occupying that set of rooms. The fromt room will answer the purpose of the reading room just as well or better than the middle room. I would suggest that a lease be presented to them and a definite rental be agreed upon.

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II. Mr McLean gave them permission to use these rooms without rent. I have not as yet interfered except to tell them that the rental was due me as Agent. This Idid because the Sec'y told me the rent was being paid Mr Kennedy. Mr Kennedy came to me and tried to make me believe that he owned the building but I was not convinced, he however saw a new light and does not question the Board's ownership . He is now the U.S. Commissioner and uses the building for his office and court room. Mr Ragan a local attorney, is also a "tenant at will" he has a desk and typewriter in the building and uses it as his office. Ragan told me that the Library was paying a dollar a month. They seem to have been short of funds since I told the Treas. to pay the rent to me, but may have some soon. I think perhaps a dollar a month for the Library, Mr Kennedy and Mr Ragan would not be exorbitant and, each would help to keep the building in repairs.

Since writing the above I have seen Mr McLean and he tells me that the natives have done all that has been done on Social Hall , and that he had tried to do away with the dancing, but seemed unable to accomplish anything. I also talked with one of the natives and he said that last year the natives had put $275. in repairs on the Hall. That they are going to put it in shape this fall.

The Native Band uses it more than any one else for their practice. It does not seem wise to me to attempt to change the place of worship from the church to the Hall. I believe the natives would resent such a move. I think that by keeping the present church building especially clean and fumigating about every month during the winter, the whites will not seriously object to the natives worshipping there. I also believe it will help in the betterment of conditions among them. However if the Board deems it necessary to make the change and commands me to do so I will carry out its behests.

I have in mind the using of the Social Hall for a semi-monthly or weekly social for the natives, trying to give them the best our own young people have, and it may be that in this way they can be turned into better channels of spending the evening hours.

I have received three more applications for allotments on the Mission grounds, making seven or eight since I have come here. There seems to have passed around the word that the ground will all be taken up and some are trying to forestall the rush. As near as I can gather, the prospect of gardening, and the fact that the Mission will have a team next year helps to the encouraging of applucants. I have done nothing to stimulate this. In fact I am perplexed on account of some who come from Kluckwan. I spoke to Falconer about it, and he said it would be best to let the matter work itself out. That we cannot command them to stay if they want to go. I shall not make any more allotments until I have heard from you in reply to this.

Trusting I have not wearied you with my long treatise, I am,

Sincerely.

E. L. Winterberger

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REV. E. L. WINTERBERGER
MINISTER

Sept. 1, '14

Harvey C. Olin
156 Fifth Ave

My Dear Mr Olin:-I have waited for a word from Dr Condit before writing you in reply to your letter of July 28 th. concerning the setting apart of a section ofland for the Hospital. The only point of difference between Dr Craig and myself, and I did not understand that even on that point we differed, was that of building a fence between the hospital and the Manse. I understand that this matter did not arise from a request of Dr Craig but at the request of Mr Allabem that he lay out such a plot.

If the plot,suggested in your letter, is laid out and fenced off it will take a good slice out of the small tillable area which we now have. If this is carried out after two or three years when more land is cleared it will not be noticeable, but just now it would be felt. Besides all that Dr Craig tells me he has all the land he wants to take care of at the present time. He does not care to have a large garden, and for lawn he now has about three times as much as is used or mowed. It is of no moment to me whether the Board sets apart the plot your letter suggests or not, but I would not like to see a fence built between the Manse and the Hospital from the standpoint of its appearance to the people of the town, besides the additional gate necessary to open and shut in going through the grounds to the barn with a wagon.

Thank you for sending the money paid out for the fencing of the Manse garden. Also for the Boards' appropriation of the money for the beginning of the work on the farm,. This work will begin so soon as the Natives are through fishing, for I desire to use them in all ways possible. Those who have fished here have had a good season, and I expect many requests for land on the Mission ground for the building of homes. The younger people are desirous of getting away from some of the customs and manner of living which the old people still cling to.

Thanking you again for your hearty cooperation, I am,

Sincerely.

E. L. Winterberger

September 3rd, 1914.

Rev. James H. Condit, D.D.,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Dr. Condit:-

Your letter of the 21st ultimo I find upon my desk upon return from vacation, enclosing a statement of your expense account in the matter of the Mushagak itinerary, such statement showing a balance in your hands of $243.45. We also note the enclosure of the vouchers for July and August, for which remittances have gone forward.

Now with regard to the furniture matter, let me say that in going into certain other matters in the Minutes of the General Assembly I discovered, some time ago, an action of the General Assembly authorising and directing the Board of Church Erection Fund to make grants for the purchase of just such articles of permanent furniture for manses as you have called our attention to. I at once brought the matter to the attention of Dr. Wylie, Secretary of that Board, and told him that a little later we should probably call upon him for some grants of the kind. I am therefore going to put your letter before him and suggest to him that he make a favorable report to the Board of Church Erection upon this account.

If this cannot be done by the Board of Church Erection I think it will be necessary for this Board, at the present time at least, to decline to enter upon a new expenditure of this kind. As of course you know, the financial situation all over the country, owing to the war in Europe, is in rather a critical state. The Board feels that its first duty is, of course, to its missionaries, to see that they do not suffer for support. All other matters must therefore be side-tracked for the immediate present. As I have said, however, I will take the matter up with the Board of Church Erection Fund and get their mind in the matter.

I find upon my desk a letter from Mr. Winterberger regarding certain property matters at Haines, leases, etc. I have written him that until you and Judge Gunnison have been able to go into the question of our properties at Haines very carefully, and until you have made a formal report thereupon, it does not seem wise to take up these matters with any one else, independently of that expected report. I have therefore asked Mr. Winterberger to take these matters up with you.

We shall await with interest your full report following the Mushagak trip. It must indeed have been a very trying trip for you, and I regret exceedingly that you are suffering from neuritis in your shoulder, as a result of that trip. I sincerely hope that you may improve very rapidly, now that you are once more comfortably housed.

Dr. Thompson was in Constance, Switzerland, at the Peace Conference when war was declared. Letters from him and his family indicate that they had a very trying time getting out and over into England. We learn now that he sailed for home on the 28th ultimo by the "Kroonland". Doubtless he will therefore be with us again in the next few days.

With regard to the balance in your hands, let me say that I think it will be wise, ~~for the present at least~~, to make a remittance of that sum here, in order that the account may be balanced.

Very cordially yours,

Treasurer.

O/S

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HAINES, ALASKA

REV. E. L. WINTERBERGER
MINISTER

Oct, 6,'14

Rev James H? Condit D.D.
Juneau , Alaska

My Dear Dr Condit:- Could you not prod Judge Gunnison in the matter of getting out those leases and sending them to me? I should have them in the the course of a week or so, in fact should have had them long before this. Three houses are now going up on the Mission ground and more will be going up before the winter sets in, and all the people on the Mission should have leases signed and also duplicate copies which they themselves shall have.

I wrote Judge Gunnison my suggestions but have not heard from him. I wrote the Board that these leases should be printed so that I can have some copies on hand to show to the prospective builder before he begins. There is every chance for our having a fine village on the Mission grounds. But I am put to confusion on account of this delay.

I do not like to bring this matter to your attention since I have heard from Mr Beattie that you are suffering from Neuritis. But I know that you had gone over the matter with the Judge and would probably get action quicker, being there, than I would by writing.

I trust you will be better and that complete relief from your trouble will come speedily. Things are going well with us thus far. I could wish that you might be here before you go South, as I should like to talk over the situation with you.

With Best regards, I am,

Sincerely E. L. Winterberger

PRESBYTERIAN HOME MISSIONS

JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY FOR ALASKA

JUNEAU, ALASKA.

October 10,1914

Mr.H.C.Olin,
156 5th Avenue,
N.Y.

Dear Mr.Olin:

I have just received the enclosed from Mr.Winterberger. I agree with him that this leasing matter should have been adjusted long ago. I went with Judge Gunnison last March,9th and 10th, to Skagway and Haines for the express purpose of having the business taken care of. I understood that he would immediately attend to it and had made no farther inquiry until a recent letter from Haines assured me that such was not the case.

The judge will be in Washington until about the 20th of this month and then expects to go to New York. He will undoubtedly call at the Board's offices and I would suggest that he be kindly but firmly admonished that he is found wanting.

I have just returned from the local office of Gunnison and Robertson but there is no one there prepared to take up the matter of these leases.

Cordially Yours,

James H. Condit

October 22nd, 1934.

Rev. E. L. Winterberger,

Haines, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Winterberger:-

Dr. Condit has forwarded to this office your letter dated the 6th with regard to the buildings which you say are now going up on the Mission grounds, and those which you say will be going up before winter sets in. Not to criticize, permit me to ask why people were permitted to go on with the building of houses on the Mission grounds without some express authority from the Board? These intending builders should, if the Board desires to make these leases, be under lease before the buildings are gone on with. Will you be kind enough to hold up all intending builders for the present.

Judge Gunnison called at the office on yesterday, and going over the situation with him he advises me to write you to request Mr. Robertson to prepare a notice to the people who are building, warning them not to do so as they will be regarded as trespassers. Please, therefore, to hold up all operations until Judge Gunnison and Dr. Condit have visited Haines, which they propose to do immediately upon their return to Alaska, and then will make full report to the office.

Sorry to be obliged to send you what may be considered in the nature of a "stop order", but certainly the Board would not wish these buildings to be gone on with without full understanding and consent, and under proper lease arrangements.

Very cordially yours,

Treasurer.

O/S

In re Haines, Alaska.

October 22nd, 1914.

Rev. James H. Condit, D.D.,

Seattle, Wash.

Dear Dr. Condit:-

Your note of the 10th instant, enclosing that from Mr. Winterberger of Haines, dated October 6th, both relative to the matter of leases on Haines properties, came to hand on yesterday. Within an hour after their arrival Judge Gunnison himself walked in, so I was able to take the question up with him. The Judge pleads guilty, and says that owing to the press of other matters this has unintentionally been neglected. He promises, immediately upon his return, to take the questions up with, and when you also have returned, go with you to Haines and put this matter in shape for a full recommendation to the Board.

Meantime he suggests that a letter be written to Mr. Winterberger to have Mr. Robertson prepare a notice to the people who are building, and who are proposing to build, warning them not to do so, as they will be regarded as tresspassers, but to await further action and to stop further building until he hears from yourself or Judge Gunnison.

Personally I do not see why authority has been given at all for these buildings without reference to the office, do you? Judge Gunnison, with Dr. Dixon and myself, lunched together on yesterday and we talked the situation over. The Judge, I think, has very clear notions as to what should be done, and, as I have said above, will go over the situation with you when you have returned to Juneau. Meantime I am writing to Mr. Winterberger as to the preparation of the notices by Mr. Robertson, and admonishing him not to permit any more building until you and Judge Gunnison have seen him and reported to the Board as to what action should be authorized.

I am addressing this letter to you at your home in Seattle and sincerely hope that you are mending rapidly and that you are thoroughly enjoying your stay at home, as of course you will.

With all personal regards, believe me,

Yours very cordiaally,

Treasurer.

O/S

PRESBYTERIAN HOME MISSIONS

JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY FOR ALASKA

JUNEAU, ALASKA.

5612 10th Ave.,N.E., Seattle,Washington.

October 27,1914.

Mr.H.C.Olin,

156 5th Ave.,

N.Y.

Dear Mr.Olin:

I am in receipt of your letter of October 22nd relative to the Haines property matter.

I trust that the delay in the adjustment of this matter will not complicate the business. I feel that the judge was negligent in not following the settlement of the business at the time we went to the expense and time of making a special trip to Haines. This would have put it safely out of the way before the change to a new missionary and would have done away with the possibility of any trouble for him. I certainly shall insist now for a final settlement before the judge grows weary in well doing but do not know how soon it will be possible for me to return to Juneau. It would seem advisable,therefore, for Judge Gunnison to proceed with necessary measures without reference to my return.I would suggest that he be so instructed from your office.

It is probable that the buildings proposed are being erected by natives. I think that there was something said when I was at Haines last in regard to encouraging the natives to leave the ranch and locate on the mission ground in order to encourage the better element along the lines of sanitation,agriculture,etc. This to be permitted only under the permission of the Board under a leasing systemr. If this is not the explanation then I am at a loss to understand the situation.

I wish to urge that my report on the Bristol Bay project be given early consideration. The conditions of undertaking that work are such as to make imperative an early conclusion as to the advisability of entering upon it. I am expecting that the decision will be not to launch the enterprise this year on account of financial conditions. But the decision one way or the other must be made promptly. Should the conclusion be to proceed there is none too much time even now to arrange the prelimimaries

My October check has not arrived with Mrs Condit's which was received several days since.It is probable that the office has overlooked my request that for this month the amount be sent here to Seattle rather than to Juneau. If this is the case it will be forwarded to me here.

It is too soon to know how the treatment which I am receiving for neuritis will terminate but indications thus far are encouraging, and my physician is a specialist along the line of nerve diseases.

Cordially Yours, James H. Condit.

HAINES MISSION
(PRESBYTERIAN)
HAINES, ALASKA

REV. E. L. WINTERBERGER
MINISTER

Nov,5,'14

Mr Harvey C. Olin
New York, N.Y.

My Dear Mr Olin:-I received your letter of Oct. 22nd. I regret that I seemingly have overstepped the bounds of the Board's wishes in the matter of letting the Indians build on the Mission grounds. I was under the impression that it was the will of the Board that this should be done so as to help them to a better manner of living. As to the leases, I have taken especial pains with al who have asked to come on the Mission grounds, to state what conditions would be exacted, and they all have been ready and willing to sign up leases so soon as they should be presented. I had expected that the leases would come, with the recommendations I suggested, amended by the Board's lawyer as the Board saw fit. I wrote you under date of August 5 my suggestions, and not having had any definite instructions in the matter, I thought I was doing what was most to the best interest of the Board and the welfare of the Indians. Could you have seen the Mission property at the time I came and see it now you would admit that in the latter particular I had succeeded in a measurable degree at least.

The two whom I gave permission to build have put up neat little houses and have cleaned up the land, their buildings are finished so that I cannot stop the work. The one man who is building had started the foundation of his buidding and secured permission to lay the foundation under Mr McLean. He is putting up a very creditable building, is one of the most progressive of the Indians and a man of considerableinfluence in the village. If the Board desires me to stop this man in his work and commands it, I will do so, but it will make it harder for me in my workvhere and it will not contribute anything to the Board. If a lease is presented to him and he refuses to sign, which I know he will not, then the matter will be put in a different light.

You are more or less familair with the situation here and the things I have to contend with in the work, I am demanding innovations unthought of during the past ten years, and the Indians are responding nobly, but I am doing it with all the tact and care that I know. I trust this matter of the leases may be straightened out without twodrastic action. I am however, but yo the servant of the Board, and am compelledvto look at things from a little different angle than the Board because I am so near the work. I will await your further word in the matter.

As I mentioned in a previous letter wood-cutting on the Mission ground has sadly depleted the timber the Board possesses. Trees have been fallen and left to rot and good trees which have been down have gone the same way so that more was wasted than used. With Dr Craig's cooperation I am designatin where the wood shall be cut and how, permitting the least possible cutting of standing timber, and hoping that another year the supply may be procured from the fallen timber alone. I am also refusing to let the Indians cut, for themselves , any standing timber. Thus far I have noted no infraction of the rule.

Dr Craig and I went over the ground desiredby the Hospital and this is the boundary as we outlined it. Unless Dr Craig sees fit to change it I suppos he will recommend the same. We trust it will be entirely satisfactory.

Beginning at a point 135 feet East and 80 feet north of of the N.E. Cor of the Hospital; thence 268 feet west; thence 250 feet South; thence 268 feet East; thence 250 feet North to the point of beginning. The points of compass here are taken on the ground that the Hospital faces East. It is also understo od that the front of the lot contross the beach after such regualtions as are contained in the grant given the Board. Our line followed the eastern boundry of the present Eastern fence, (if it can be called a fence) .

HAINES MISSION
(PRESBYTERIAN)
HAINES, ALASKA

REV. E. L. WINTERBERGER
MINISTER

II.

You will find enclosed receipts for $47.60 and $50.20 covering check which was sent some time since. There is a discrepancy of $1.13 between amount paid out and the amount of the check which was for $96.67. This is due to my failure to figure the wharfage charge correctly. You here have the Agents figure.

You will find enclosed bill for tools for the drainage work, also receipt for $7:50 paid to one of the workmen.

The following is a partial list of the amounts due workmen. I do not like to send in different lists on this work, but it is difficult to get men to stick to the job until it is done.

Mr Alexander	-10 hrs	$4.00 ✓
Mr Nickerson	40 hrs	16.00 ✓
Edward Warren	87 hrs	26.10.
Gibson	94 hrs	28.20 ✓
A.E.Gordon	25 hrs	7.50 ✓
Kasko	1 hr	.30
Anderson	10 hrs	4.00 ✓
Total for labor thus far		$86.10
N.G.Hanson for tools		4.50 ✓
Edward Fay (Hauling tile)		5.00 ✓
Pair rubber boots for self		10.00 ✓
Total		$105.60

In explanation of the "Boots" item I would say, I bought a new pair since coming here and wore them out in the ditch. So am charging the new pair up to the account. I more than earned them in actual time put in. For it looked once as if I would have to dig it if I got it dug. Men here work as long as they like and quit without giving three days notice.

For this expenditure I have an open ditch of about 850 feet and a tile ditch of about 1500 feet, about 1000 of which has not yet been filled in and that will cost in the neighborhood of $12.00 . This gives me access to about six acres of ground which has never been under the plow, but was all cleared, and gives drainage to about ten acres more, some of which has been culivated but under difficulty. I am now having the six acres plowed, the bill for which I will send in my next letter. Unless all signs fail I expect these acres to pay for the ditch the coming year.

Trusting this will meet with the tentative approval of the Board and eventually commend itself as a wise move, I am,

Very Sincerely.

E. L. Winterberger

Ps. This is in accord with your letter of Aug. 12th to which you desired me to refer when sending in statement of expenses.

E.L.W.

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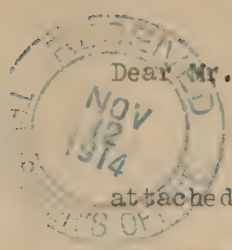
November 12th, 1914

Mr. H. C. Olin,

New York, N. Y.



Dear Mr. Olin:-

Just before Mr. Allaben left for Porto Rico he placed the attached clipping from a catalogue in my hands and asked me to take up with you the matter of looking into the cost of one of the Kenyon Sanitarium Houses described in the "Ad". You will notice from Dr. Craig's letter that he suggests a house large enough to accommodate two beds and a stove. Therefore I will ask you to ascertain the cost of a house of the size mentioned. By the time you receive this information covering the cost and freight charges to Haines, Alaska, I will have in hand a special gift for this purpose. I will appreciate it if you will advise me of the cost as soon as you receive the information.

Thanking you, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Dora M. Fish

F/P

Treasurer.

HAINES HOSPITAL.

Harold M. Craig, M. D. , Superintendent.

P.O. Box 23, Haines, Alaska.

Mr. Marshall C. Allaben,
156 Fifth Avenue,
N. Y.

Dear Mr. Allaben:-

I have had it in mind to write to you and advise that we purchase a portable cottage for our advanced tubercular patients, but I have hesitated to mention it because we have been exceeding our monthly allowance for current expenses. However such a house is absolutely necessary. It is almost a crime, so it seems to me, to place these advanced cases of T.B. in the same ward with non tubercular patients. I would not enter a hospital if I had to be under those conditions, and neither would any sane man. I advise that we purchase a house large enough to contain two beds and a stove. We will have tp purchase the beds and stands to go with this. You will remember that woman, Isabel Williams, whom we saw up in that little house where you were here; you will also remember old Swatke and his brother whom we expected to find frozen some of those cold mornings. It is such cases as this that we could accommodate, when necessary, if we had this house. In the summer time we could place this house out on the lawn where it would receive the maximum amount of sunlight, and in the winter it could be placed back of the buildings where it would be protected from the cold north winds. I enclose a clipping of an advertisement.

I am very much enheartened by the attitude that the natives

are expressing toward the hospital. We are certainly winning their confidence, and they come from long distances for treatment here. Just last week a man, with a large abdominal abscess, came up here from Ketchikan for treatment. We operated upon him within twenty-four hours. In a few hours more the abscess might have ruptured and then his chances for recovery would have been very poor indeed. Also nearly all the native women are coming here for their confinements. I am glad to see this as it gives their babies a good start in life. We have been very fortunate with these cases as we have not lost a patient, whereas three women who had their babies in their homes this summer all lost their babies. This is all appropos of the saying that the Lord is with the side that has the heaviest cannon. As far as confinements are concerned we have the heaviest cannon altho we often lack soldiers to fire them.

With the present unstable condition of affairs among the nations of Europe the Alaskan native will be forgotten by our Government as far as appropriating any money for their physical condition is concerned. Dr. Krulish himself expects to be removed from Alaska at the close of this year because of lack of funds of the department of Education, from which he receives his salary. Thus the only source of help for these natives must come from the missions. The Mission boards must be made to feel their greater responsibility in this matter. For my part I had rather see a school closed and the money given for the support of a hospital for the relief of the physical suffering of these native people of Alaska, and if every member of the Woman's Board could see the way these people suffer and witness the things that I see every day of my work with these people, I know that they would say the same thing. Knowing these conditions I believe that you will put forth every effort to secure some additional appropriation for our current expenses.

With best wishes, I am, Sincerely,

HAROLD M. CRAIG

In re Haines Hospital

November 13th, 1914.

R. L. Kenyon Co.,

800 Albert Street,

Waukesha, Wis.

Gentlemen:-

Our attention has been called to your advertisement in the magazines and papers of late, and I desire to make some inquiries with regard to your "Kenyon Sanitarium House" so-called, for fresh air patients.

This Board operates a Hospital in southeastern Alaska, and it becomes necessary for us to seggregate certain tubercular patients. We should want a house large enough to contain two beds and a stove, with such other necessary accessories as would go with this equipment.

Would you be kind enough to quote me your very lowest price on this equipment, and whether you could at once ship the same to Alaska were the order placed immediately.

Any concessions in price which you can consistently make, owing to the nature of our work, which is entirely missionary work, we shall be very glad to be given the advantage of. Furthermore, the undersigned claims Waukesha as his birthplace and home for many years. Do the best you can for us in quoting prices. We shall be glad to hear from you at as early a date as is possible.

Should you desire to inquire as to my standing, Mr. A. J. Frame, President of the Waukesha National Bank, and W. P. Sawyer, President of the National Exchange Bank, or almost any of the old citizens of Waukesha, would bear testimony.

Awaiting your word, I am,

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

O/S

HAINES MISSION
(PRESBYTERIAN)
HAINES, ALASKA

REV. E. L. WINTERBERGER
MINISTER

Nov. 14,'14

Mr Harvey C. Olin
New York , N.Y.

My Dear Mr Olin:- The other day a Mr Cranston who is married to an Indian woman and has two children, approached me and asked what the prospects were for getting a lease to the ground of the Jim Young cottage on the Mission ground. He said he would buy the cottage and his family would live there, as he worked in different sections at different times of the year.

Jim Young does not live in his house, and has not for some time, having moved to Juneau, His house is empty. It is a good house of about four rooms

I told Mr Cranston I would write you and let him know your decision as soon as it came.

Sincerely.

E.L. Winterberger

Ps. Enclosed find voucher for Nov. I have not as yet received check for Oct.

E.L.W.

In re Haines, Alaska.

November 18th, 1914.

Rev. James H. Condit, D.D.,
5612 - 10th Avenue N.E.,
Seattle, Wash.

My dear Dr. Condit:-

Your favor of the 10th instant, enclosing copy of a letter to Judge Gunnison in the matter of the titles to the Haines Mission property, etc., is at hand. Thank you very much for both. Your letter to Judge Gunnison is very clear and fits the case exactly. I trust that he may take the matter up at once, and that there may be no more delay therein.

We have a letter, by the same mail, from Mr. Winterberger explaining why these buildings had been permitted to go up on the Mission premises. He had concluded, from the fact that he did not hear from Judge Gunnison or yourself, that the Board acquiesced in his suggestions made in August, and I think he was perfectly justified in reaching that conclusion. We will have to keep after the Judge, as you and I both have done recently, and see that this matter is properly adjusted.

Mr. Winterberger is acting, it seems to us, with great wisdom and good sense, and if the matter of the leases can be properly and promptly adjusted, his work will mean great things for the native population of Haines.

I think that it would be well for you and Judge Gunnison, after arriving at a conclusion as to the details of the leases, to forward a copy here, in order that the Board may formally pass thereupon.

With all cordial regards, believe me,

Sincerely yours,

Treasurer.

O/S

In re Haines, Alaska.

November 20th, 1914.

Rev. E. L. Winterberger,

Haines, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Winterberger:-

Your letter dated the 5th instant, in reply to ours of the 22nd of October, with particular reference to the leases upon properties in the Board's reservation, is at hand.

You and we have been, unfortunately, the sufferers on account of an inadvertent delay on the part of our Committee, Judge Gunnison and Mr. Condit, from whom we expected we should get definite recommendations in August or September. Of course Dr. Condit could not be held responsible, because of his long and exhausting trip into the Nushagak region. And I suppose that Judge Gunnison has been so overwhelmed and taken up with other lines of work that this has been passed by. However, I have a letter from Dr. Condit, received on the same date with yours, in which he encloses copy of a letter just written to Judge Gunnison urging an immediate report as to the leases, covering the conclusions which they had reached after their review of the situation. Judge Gunnison was here also two or three weeks ago, and we urged haste. We now hope to get a form of lease and report in very short order, and will then be able to give you the conclusions of the Board.

Meantime we do not see but that you have acted with great common sense, and I do not believe that it would be wise to stop any one who has already begun work, of course with the understanding that they thoroughly agree in the stipulations which you have laid down.

We expect that when this matter is finally in order it will mean great things that you should be working out the problem with our native brethren in this way.

I think you should use your own judgment as to the "Progressive Indian" who has begun work, but I think he should, in any event, be put upon the same basis with the other Indians and ultimately sign a lease.

We thoroughly sympathize with you in the difficulties you have to overcome, and are sure that with your wisdom and common sense you will overcome them to the good of the work. Your suggestions as to the wood cutting, etc., are thoroughly approved.

The designation of the ground for the immediate boundary is,

I think, thoroughly commended on all sides, certainly so if you and Dr. Craig agree thereupon.

We note the enclosure of receipts for $47.60 and $50.20, covering check which was sent you in the summer, and see that the check sent you for $96.67 was short $1.13 of the amount required to even out the expenditure. We are therefore including it in a check which we send you, in addition to the $105.60 covering the statement in your letter, making a total of $106.73, for which check is enclosed. We thus note that of the $275. allowed during the summer for these expenditures, you will have spent ~~$106.13~~ 203.40, leaving ~~$168.87~~ 71.60 for the further work.

The item covering "boots" certainly it is perfectly justifiable to allow, as your own labor and expenditures for footwear certainly are to the advantage of the Board.

You will hear from us later as to this whole situation, as soon as we hear from Judge Gunnison and Dr. Condit.

Yours very cordially,

Treasurer.

(Enclosure)

O/S

Copy for Mr. Olin.

Excerpt from letter of Dr. H. M. Craig, Haines, Alaska, 12/7/14.

"Mr. Winterberger and I talked over the question of the land for the use of the hospital and decided, before I was sick, upon the boundary lines that were satisfactory to both of us. They are as follows:

On the east by a line running parallel with the road by the seashore; on the north by a line parallel to the northern end of the hospital and passing through a point eighty feet north of the northern end of the hospital, and extending from the seashore road two hundred and sixty feet west; on the west by a line at right angles to the northern boarder and extending south ninety feet from the southern end of the hospital; on the south by a line at right angles to the western boundary and extending east to the seashore road. This gives for the use of the hospital a rectangular piece of land with a front of 240 feet and a depth of 260 feet. As these boundaries are satisfactory to Mr. Winterberger and to me, I trust that this piece of land will be designated for the use of the hospital. As it is now neither Mr. Winterberger nor I know how much land belongs to him or to me.

To fence this land on three sides - we do not wish to have a fence between the hospital and the manse - will require 740 feet of fencing, 500 feet of which will be between the land controlled by Mr. Winterberger and that under the control of the hospital. Therefore I suggest that in building that part of the fence - the 500 feet that will be of benefit to us both - we share equally the expense. Does this not seem reasonable to you? For my part I cannot see why the hospital should stand the whole expense of this fence when 500 feet of it is just as much a benefit to him as to the hospital."

5612 10th Ave.,N.E.Seattle,
December 23,1914.

Rev.E.L.Winterberger,

Haines,Alaska.

Dear Brother:

Your recent letter with various enclosures relative to the Haines leases has been received and read with interest.

I have just forwarded the same to Judge Gunnison,at Juneau for his consideration and to assist him in preparing the form of ~~lease~~ leases so that there may be no delay in executing the same upon my return to Alaska which I hope will be early in January.

I have requested the Judge to carefully preserve the papers and will return such as belong to your files in due time.

As soon as I am able to do so I will visit you,probably in company with Judge Gunnison, in order that we may promptly settle the leasing matter and also for consultation regarding the work at Haines for the coming year.

With very best wishes and with the seasons greetings to yourself and all the workers at Haines,I remain

Cordially Yours,

5618 10th Ave.,N.E.,Seattle
December 23d,1914.

Judge Royal F.Gunnison,

Juneau,Alaska.

My dear Judge:

The doctor forbids my return to Juneau before the new year and so I submit two matters for your consideration which I was expected to take up in person:

(1) In re Haines leases.

I am herewith enclosing(1) A letter from the Rev.H.L.Winterberger to me regarding the leases(2) A letter from the same to our U.S. treasurer,Mr.Olin,(sorry) as to terms of leases to natives(3) A copy of an old agreement with a native leased in Mr.McLean's time(4) Copy of the plot of mission reservation.

These papers I should like preserved for me until my return to Juneau as part of them belong and are to be returned to Mr.Winterberger and part belong to my office file.

It is with the thought that the same may be useful to you in outlining a form of leases--one for natives and the other for whites. I would suggest that such forms be prepared,at least in outline, so that there may be as little delay as possible after my return early in January.

(2) In re Joint Power of Attorney.

In a recent letter from Mr Olin under date of December 5th he says in reply to a recent inquiry of mine regarding the matter

"When this matter of a Joint Power of Attorney was brought before the Finance Committee,at its last meeting, it was voted to await the form of power which Judge Gunnison should submit,and I am still waiting for that form before bringing the matter to the attention of the Committee again."

I do not know whether the form has already been sent to Mr Olin or not but if not would suggest that it be forwarded to him at once so that we may be in shape for transacting the lease business on my return without delay.

Wishing you the greetings of the Christmas season and with kind regards, I remain

Faithfully Yours,

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
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TERRITORY OF ALASKA
JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY
JUNEAU, ALASKA

5612 10th Ave.,N.E.,Seattle
December 23d,1914.

Mr.H.C.Olin,
156 5th Avenue,N.Y.,

Dear Mr Olin:

Replying to your kind letter of the 9th inst.I am enclosing copies of two letters just written to Judge Gunnison and Rev.E.L.Winterberger,respectively, which will explain themselves.

The doctor has refusedbto allow me to return to Alaska until after the first of next month. I am in hopes that it will be safe for me to go early in January. I was in a run down condition,more so than I had realized,and must not return until I am ready for work. But the improvement now is marked, I am comparatively free from pain and hope soon now to be as good as ever. It is hard to be patient away from the many things which I ought to be doing in S.E.Alaska.

As you suggest I shall appreciate the opportunity of being with my family for Christmas.

Dr.Young in a recent letter referred to a general change in boat matters in Mr.Beck's Kake field which I do not understand. According to Dr Young's letter Mr Beck is to take over the "Lois" recently relinquished by Mr Waggoner,is to sell the hull which he has been building and cover the money into the treasury and also, if the way be clear, send his old boat to Mr.Coker,at Craig.

The arrangement which was made by myself and the Home Mission Committee of Alaska Presbytery just before I left was this-- That Mr.Beck care for the "Lois" at Kake for the present and until some arrangement can be made for the use or disposal of the same. That he continue to construct the new boat for his own use and that he dispose of the old boat as originally planned in order to use the proceeds to help pay for the new boat. These plans have not been-~~chan~~ changed to my knowledge. The "Lois" is too large for Mr Beck's use. The question of the use of this boat is to be discussed at the spring meeting of Alaska presbytery and some recommendation made to the Board. In the mean time and in accord with Dr.Dixon's request I am gathering data with respect to the boat question which I will submit soon. The whole question is puzzling.

I plan to attend the Rochester Assembly and will be glad of the opportunity to talk over with the officers this and other matters affecting the Alaska work.

Wishing you a very pleasant Christmas,I am

Cordially Yours, James H. Condit

December 24th, 1914.

Memorandum for Mr. Allaben

With reference to the ground to be set apart for the hospital at Haines, I will take this up with Dr. Condit and ask him to visit Haines as soon as he returns to Alaska, which will be within a week or ten days, and go over the matter with Craig and Winterberger. I am sure his recommendation will be helpful.

Treasurer.

O/S

December 24th, 1914.

Rev. J. H. Condit, D.D.,
5612 - 10th avenue N.E.,
Seattle, Wash.

My dear Dr. Condit:-

You will be returning to Alaska, no doubt, shortly. I am therefore addressing this letter to you there. The matter of setting apart certain of the Haines Mission property, to be ~~known as~~ cultivated as hospital ground, has been up for some little time. Superintendent Allaben is now in receipt of a letter from Dr. Craig, a copy of which I am handing you herewith.

Will you be good enough to give us your opinion upon this, and if you should be visiting Haines it might be well to confer with Dr. Craig and Mr. Winterberger and give us your idea of the whole subject, the setting apart of the land designated, cost of fencing, etc.

Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

(Enclosure)

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